

**Senate Referral:** S. 793 was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs. **Page H4308**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three yea-and-nay votes and 17 recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4229, H4230, H4230–31, H4265–66, H4266, H4267, H4267–68, H4268–69, H4290–91, H4291, H4292, H4292–93, H4293, H4294, H4294–95, H4295, H4296, H4296–97, H4297, H4297–98. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 12:03 a.m. on Wednesday, July 10, 2013.

## Committee Meetings

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Legislative Branch held a markup on appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014, and for other purposes. The bill was forwarded without amendment.

### KEEPING COLLEGE WITHIN REACH

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Keeping College Within Reach: Improving Higher Education through Innovation”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on H.R. 1900, the “Natural Gas Pipeline Permitting Reform Act”. Testimony was heard from Philip D. Moeller, Commissioner, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; and public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy and Power began a markup on the following: H.R. 1582, the “Energy Consumers Relief Act of 2013”; H.R. 1900, the “Natural Gas Pipeline Permitting Reform Act”; and H.R. 83, to require the Secretary of the Interior to develop an action plan to address the energy needs of the insular areas of the United States and the Freely Associated States.

### CYBER ESPIONAGE AND THE THEFT OF U.S. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND TECHNOLOGY

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Cyber Espionage and the Theft of U.S. Intellectual Property and Technology”. Testimony was heard from Slade Gorton, former U.S. Senator, Washington, Commission Member, Commission on the

Theft of American Intellectual Property; Larry M. Wortzel, Commissioner, U.S.- China Economic and Security Review Commission; Susan Offutt, Chief Economist, Applied Research and Methods, Government Accountability Office; and public witness.

### HOW THE CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU COLLECTS AND USES CONSUMER DATA

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing entitled “Examining How the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau Collects and Uses Consumer Data”. Testimony was heard from Steven L. Antonakes, Acting Deputy Director, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

### CONSTITUTIONAL DEFICIENCIES AND LEGAL UNCERTAINTIES IN THE DODD–FRANK ACT

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Examining Constitutional Deficiencies and Legal Uncertainties in the Dodd-Frank Act”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### LEARNING FROM IRAQ

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa held a hearing entitled “Learning from Iraq: A Final Report from the Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction”. Testimony was heard from Stuart W. Bowen, Jr., Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction; and John Herbst, Director, Center for Complex Operations, National Defense University, former American Ambassador to Ukraine and Uzbekistan.

### CAMBODIA’S LOOMING POLITICAL AND SOCIAL CRISIS

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a hearing entitled “Cambodia’s Looming Political and Social Crisis”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### EMERGENCY MGMT 2.0

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communication held a hearing entitled “Emergency MGMT 2.0: How #SocialMedia and New Tech are Transforming Preparedness, Response, and Recovery #Disasters #Part2 #Govt/NGOs”. Testimony was heard from Shayne Adamski, Senior Manager of Digital Engagement, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security; Albert

Ashwood, Director, Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management; Sergeant W. Greg Kierce, Director, Jersey City Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security; and public witness.

#### **IRAN'S EXTENDING INFLUENCE IN THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE**

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency held a hearing entitled "Threat to the Homeland: Iran's Extending Influence in the Western Hemisphere". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **LEGISLATIVE MEASURES**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law held a hearing on H.R. 2122, the "Regulatory Accountability Act of 2013". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **CLOSING AMENITIES AT YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation held a hearing entitled "Public Impact of Closing Amenities at Yosemite National Park". Testimony was heard from Representative Garamendi; Jonathan B. Jarvis, Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

#### **POWDER RIVER BASIN COAL MINING**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing entitled "Mining in America: Powder River Basin Coal Mining the Benefits and Challenges". Testimony was heard from Dan Coolidge, Chairman, Campbell County Commissioners; Mary Kendall, Office of the Inspector General, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

#### **NATIONAL STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MINERALS PRODUCTION ACT OF 2013**

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 761, the "National Strategic and Critical Minerals Production Act of 2013". The Committee granted, by record vote of 9–4, a structured rule for H.R. 761. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order as original text for purpose of amendment an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 113–17 and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order

only those further amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representative Amodei; and Representative DeFazio.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Subcommittee on Environment held a markup on H.R. 2413, the "Weather Forecasting Improvement Act of 2013". The bill was forwarded, as amended.

#### **AMERICAN COMPETITIVENESS WORLDWIDE**

*Committee on Small Business:* Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Tax and Capital Access held a hearing entitled "American Competitiveness Worldwide: Impacts on Small Businesses and Entrepreneurs". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **INNOVATIVE FINANCE IN INTERCITY PASSENGER RAIL**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials held a hearing entitled "The Role of Innovative Finance in Intercity Passenger Rail". Testimony was heard from John Porcari, Deputy Secretary, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

#### **LEGISLATIVE MEASURES**

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on H.R. 1443, the "Tinnitus Research and Treatment Act of 2013"; H.R. 1612, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to convey a parcel of land in Tuskegee, Alabama, to Tuskegee University, and for other purposes; H.R. 1702, the "Veterans Transportation Service Act"; H.R. 2065, the "Safe Housing for Homeless Veterans Act"; and draft legislation on the Long-Term Care Veterans Choice Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Rogers of Alabama; Representative McKinley; Robert L. Jesse, M.D., Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Health Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

## ONGOING INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES

*House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Ongoing Intelligence Activities”. This was a closed hearing.

*Joint Meetings*

No joint committee meetings were held.

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**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY,  
JULY 10, 2013**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

**Senate**

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* to hold hearings to examine Smithfield, focusing on foreign purchases of American food companies, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance, to hold hearings to examine stopping fraudulent robocall scams, focusing on if more can be done, 10 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold hearings to examine repealing the Sustainable Growth Rate (SGR) and the path forward, focusing on a view from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* business meeting to consider S. 815, to prohibit the employment discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity, and any pending nominations, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine lessons learned from the Boston Marathon bombings, focusing on preparing for and responding to the attack, 10 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Patricia Ann Millett, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, Gregory Howard Woods, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, Elizabeth A. Wolford, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of New York, and Debra M. Brown, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Mississippi, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Special Committee on Aging:* to hold hearings to examine diabetes research, focusing on reducing the burden of diabetes at all ages and stages, 2 p.m., SDG-50.

**House**

*Committee on Appropriations,* Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, markup on appropriations for Financial Services and General Government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014, 9:30 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, and Science and Related Agencies, markup on appropriations for Commerce, Justice, and Science and related agencies, 11 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing entitled “Examining

the Labor Department’s Proposed Reforms to the FECA Program”, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Energy and Power, continue markup on the following: H.R. 1582, the “Energy Consumers Relief Act of 2013”; H.R. 1900, the “Natural Gas Pipeline Permitting Reform Act”; and H.R. 83, to require the Secretary of the Interior to develop an action plan to address the energy needs of the insular areas of the United States and the Freely Associated States, 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* Subcommittee on Capital Markets and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled “Reducing Barriers to Capital Formation, Part II”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs,* Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade; and Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa, joint hearing entitled “The Terrorist Threat in North Africa: Before and After Benghazi”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade, hearing entitled “The Abu Dhabi Pre-Clearance Facility: Implications for U.S. Businesses and National Security”, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security,* Full Committee, hearing entitled “Assessing Attacks on the Homeland: From Fort Hood to Boston”, 9 a.m., 311 Cannon. A portion of this hearing may be closed.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law, markup on H.R. 1493, the “Sunshine for Regulatory Decrees and Settlements Act of 2013”; and H.R. 2542, the “Regulatory Flexibility Improvements Act of 2013”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform,* Full Committee, hearing entitled “Unaccountable Government GAO Reports Show Feds Struggling to Track Money and Performance”, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, U.S. Postal Service, and the Census, hearing entitled “The Combined Federal Campaign: Making Every Dollar Count”, 1 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology,* Subcommittee on Space, markup on committee print of the “NASA Authorization Act of 2013”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Research and Technology, hearing entitled “Strategic Planning for National Manufacturing Competitiveness”, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business,* Full Committee, hearing entitled “Beyond the Beltway: Successful State Strategies for Small Business Growth”, 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure,* Full Committee, markup of the following: H.R. 1848, the “Small Airplane Revitalization Act of 2013”; H.R. 2576, to amend title 49, United States Code, to modify requirements relating to the availability of pipeline safety regulatory documents, and for other purposes; and legislation regarding the following: Public Buildings Savings and Reform Act of 2013; a bill to designate the United States Coast Guard Headquarters the “Douglas A. Munro Coast Guard Headquarters Building”; a concurrent resolution